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12. (Amended) A thermoformed panel according to claim 10, having one or more reinforcing ribs or ridges projecting from one face of the panel and wherein the other face of the panel is free from concavities complementary to the said ribs or ridges, in which the material in the regions corresponding to the ribs or ridges has an expanded cellular structure with greater porosity than the porosity of the material present in the regions of lesser thickness.

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